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Sir:

Pursant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, Applicant hereby brings to the attention of the United States Patent and Trademark Office the following documents of which Applicant has been made aware. The documents are listed on the attached PTO Form 1449.

Pursuant to the OG Notice of August 5, 2003 for U.S. national applications filed after June 30, 2003, the requirement for submitting a copy of each cited U.S. patent and each cited U.S. patent application publication as this requirement is waived, copies of the U.S. patents and U.S. patent application publications are not submitted. Copies of foreign patent documents and non-patent literature, if cited, are enclosed.

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Applicant submits that this Information Disclosure Statement is submitted prior to a first action on the merits.

It is requested that the references be considered by the Examiner and be made of record as part of the available prior art under 37 C.F.R. § 1.104.

Respectfully submitted,

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